

Canadian Reciprocity.

THE TIMES has a few copies of Congressman Fordney's recent speech in congress against the approval of the Canadian reciprocity treaty which will be distributed to those interested if they will call at this office.

Board of Health.

The board of health of Owosso organized Friday evening by electing C. J. McNally president; W. L. Wren vice president and F. D. Collamer secretary. A report of health conditions was made by Dr. W. E. Ward, health officer, and a tour of inspection of the city is being made soon to find possible danger spots.

Appointed Private Secretary.

Russell Bush, son of Probate Judge and Mrs. Bush of Cornum, has accepted an appointment as private secretary to the general counsel of the D. T. & I. railroad. He has been in the Hocking Valley offices as stenographer at Detroit, attending Detroit University in evening classes.

Will Try It Again.

Alfonzo Oberly aged 58 and Susie Oberly, aged 40 of Owosso, were married this week for the second time, having been once divorced. The groom has been married three times and the bride four times. They disagreed on their first trial and the man disappeared, the wife keeping their home and child. They will reside in Owosso.

Money Left.

The semi-centennial celebration committee have closed up their work and after all reported bills are paid have a balance of \$65, which by unanimous consent has been divided between the W. R. C. and G. A. R. to be used for public purposes as they deem advisable. The handling of all matters connected with the celebration has been very satisfactory to the donors of the fund.

Will Re-Organize as State Bank.

The Lennon bank which has been a private bank since it was established a few years is to be re-organized and will be incorporated under the laws of Michigan and become a state bank. It is said that the stock is all subscribed for a \$30,000 capital and the new organization will be completed within a short time. The name of the bank will then be changed to the Lennon State Bank.

Life Cut Short.

Frank A., fourteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gray, died Sunday at the family home on Adams street after a week's illness of pleurisy. The boy was born in Owosso, was a freshman in the high school, being a very popular scholar and prominent in all school undertakings. He was an accomplished pianist and was practicing for a recital when taken sick.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 3 p. m. Revs. Hanks and Steininger officiating, and was attended by many high school pupils.

First Game Lost.

The Owosso team was defeated, Friday, at Ovid, in the first game in the Central Independent league's series, the score being 14 to 4 in seven innings. The Owosso team was made up of Campbell, catcher; Martin and Rockwell, pitchers; Hume, first base; Phillips, second base; Cooper, third base; Norton, short stop; Barrows, left field; Rockwell and Martin, center field; Stanton, right field.

The Owosso team is getting into good shape now after considerable practice and a better showing is looked for.

Arbiter Society Officers.

The following officers for the ensuing year have been elected by the Arbiter society:

President—Fred H. Goeckel.
Vice Pres.—R. C. Thiede.
Cor. Sec'y.—Fritz Heise.
Fin. Sec'y.—Gus Zimmerman.
Treas.—Louis Mueller.
Physician—Dr. W. E. Ward.
Bannerbearer—Gus Drebenstedt.
Trustees—L. A. Sanderhoff, Chas. Mueller, Carl Reckling.
Delegates to State Convention—Carl Reckling, Louis Mueller and F. H. Goeckel.

New Officers Elected.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Evangelical church held a business meeting at the church Thursday evening and elected the following officers:

President—Mrs. G. W. Finch.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. C. C. Staffeld.
Recording Sec.—Miss Cornelia Mattoon.
Cor. Sec.—Miss Edna Wilkie.
Treasurer—Mrs. Carl Frickie.
Organist—Miss Lillian Wilkie.
M. B. Supt.—Miss Jennie Frey.
Miss Cornelia Mattoon was elected delegate to represent the society at the state convention which will be held in Jackson, June 22-23-24-25.

Memorial Day Ball Games.

The Eagles' base ball team will play two games Memorial Day with the Oldsmobile team of Lansing.

McCarthy-Ahern.

Miss Mary Margaret McCarthy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. McCarthy of this city, and Edward Ahern of Oakley, were united in marriage Tuesday morning at St. Paul's Catholic church by Rev. Fr. P. J. Slane. Mr. and Mrs. Ahern left Tuesday morning for Chesaning, where they will be at home to their friends after June 10.

The bride is a well known Owosso young lady and the groom has been a prosperous farmer near Oakley for several years. Owosso friends extend congratulations.

Goyt Fuller.

Miss Mabel Goyt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Goyt of North Lansing street, and Edward F. Fuller were married at 8:30 Monday night at the Asbury M. E. church, Rev. J. E. Somers officiating. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Allie Rourke. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller are residing for the present at the home of her parents.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Fuller are well known, having lived here all their lives. Mrs. Fuller was employed at the casket factory for several years previous to a few weeks ago, when she resigned and accepted a position at Ferris Brothers' store. Mr. Fuller is a graduate of the high school, of the class of 1908, and is employed by the Owosso Casket Co. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Stock Notes.

Floyd C. Reynolds received the first of the week a Jersey heifer calf which he purchased last week at the Good Hold Farm sale in Cleveland, Ohio. The sire of the calf is Woodbridge Raleigh, a well bred son of the great bull Eminent's Raleigh the sire of 21 cows with seven-day butter tests running from 14 lbs. 4 ounces to 20 lbs. 4 ounces; the dam of the calf was sired by King of St. Lambert King, sire of 41 cows with butter records for seven days running from 14 lb. to 24 lbs. 6 oz. The calf is both splendidly bred and good individually. Mr. Reynolds expects to buy a cow or two later on as the foundation for a herd of registered Jerseys.

The Jersey bull Brown Duches' Owl is kept for service at the Josephans farm west of the city. The animal is well bred coming from a line of ancestors celebrated for their milk and butter records. His dam as a two year old gave 7372 pounds of milk which produced 455 pounds of butter in one year. While his granddam has a milk record of 7895 pounds and a butter record of 496 pounds, and his great granddam is entered in the register of merit—all authenticated tests. When the fact is understood that the average cow in Michigan produces less than 150 pounds of butter in a year it will be seen there is opportunity for great improvement by the use of Jersey sires. Call Mr. Josephans evenings over Union phone 649.

PLEASED WITH OWOSSO MESSAGE.

Postmaster General Hitchcock acknowledges improvement Association's Thanks.

Miller, the Washington correspondent of the Detroit Sunday News-Tribune, sent the following dispatch to that paper:

Washington, May 15.—Postmaster General Hitchcock is much pleased with a message he has received from the Owosso Improvement association thanking him for establishing a postal savings bank in that Michigan town. It is the first communication of the kind he has received from any place in the United States and the postmaster-general accepts it as an indication that the selection of Owosso was not a mistake. The new bank opens June 1. The message is signed by J. C. Shattuck.

The message sent by Mr. Shattuck follows:

Hon. Frank H. Hitchcock, Postmaster-General, Sir:

The citizens of Owosso very much appreciate the distinction of being one of the first cities in the state to be named as a depository of the Postal Savings bank, and desire to convey to you a vote of thanks for your kind consideration and confidence.

Owosso Improvement Association.

Per J. C. SHATTUCK, President.

The members of the Improvement Association appreciate this public acknowledgment of the courtesy in saying "thank you" and more than ever believe the Owosso way of telling public officials how they feel for favors received is the right way.

UNANIMOUS

Citizens of Owosso Vote to Ask That Ann Arbor be Released from Union Station Order.

Representative Gathering Also in Favor of Separate Stations.

Desiring to have the best possible understanding of the depot situation in Owosso, the Michigan State Railroad Commission visited Owosso Thursday morning and at a meeting of the people of the city in the Y. M. C. A. rooms heard many speakers give reasons why the Ann Arbor Railroad Company should be released from an order to unite in building a union depot at the present junction point in this city.

The Commission had in reply to a request from the Owosso Improvement Association's committee's request for a hearing at Lansing notified the committee that it would come to Owosso where any and all could speak and every one interested is grateful to the commission for their visit. The three commissioners C. L. Glasgow, chairman, G. W. Dickinson and L. T. Hemans and the secretary arrived on the morning train and were shown about the city in automobiles and at 9:30 the meeting was called to order and the situation most thoroughly explained and discussed and at the close a vote was taken which showed the meeting, representing all classes of citizens and all parts of the city, unanimously in favor of allowing the building of a separate Ann Arbor station. At a suggestion a vote was also taken as to having three separate stations with a building sufficient for transfer work at the present junction site and all but two who voted were in favor of having each road build its own building where most convenient for its business.

The matter was taken up and a decision requested on an urgent appeal from the Ann Arbor railroad that it be given a release so that the construction of a fine station and office building combined on the present site of the depot might be begun at once.

It is probable that the result of this thorough understanding now existing will be that Owosso will have three fine new depots and the expenditure of a large sum of money by the Ann Arbor in additions to their property in Owosso.

Food Factory Burned.

Fire, starting at nine o'clock Wednesday evening, destroyed the main buildings of the Standard Pure Food Co. plant on Cornum avenue, entailing a loss of \$30,000 to the building owned by Tod Kincad of Cornum, J. H. Frieske and C. W. Gale of Owosso and a loss of \$15,000 on the machinery and stock of the Food company. Both the building and machinery were well insured but the loss will be many thousands dollars, besides the stopping of the business. The plant was being operated day and night because of the large number of orders and the shutting down for several days to install new dynamos to take the place of boilers which were recently condemned.

The fire started in an overheated oven and the flames filled the building and were almost beyond control before an alarm could be sent to the department. After the alarm the department reached the building in a few minutes and by the hardest and most successful kind of fire fighting confined the flames to the large building and prevented other fires which from the flood of sparks it seemed impossible to prevent. The entire city was lighted by the blaze and for a mile or more the fall of the main walls was heard.

Neither the company or the building owners have plans for the future.

Ex-Senator Tuttle to Succeed F. H. Watson.

Washington, May 15.—Senator Townsend had a conference today with Attorney General Wickersham relative to the United States district attorneyship at Detroit. Mr. Wickersham said he was ready to make a change in the office and therefore Senator Townsend has written to Arthur Tuttle, of Lansing, offering him the place. The office is now held by Frank Watson of Owosso.

It has been understood by friends of Mr. Watson in this city for some time past that this change would be made but the understanding has been that it would not take place until after the opening of the regular session of congress in December. The announcement therefore comes as quite a surprise. Mr. Watson, who has resided in Detroit nearly three years, will continue the practice of law in that city.

At Nutsen & Lathrop's you can buy Saturday only: Kellogg's Corn Flakes, per pkg., 7c; Fresh Checked Eggs, per dozen, 12c, all good; Salted Peanuts, per lb. 10c, and 8 bars Acme Soap, 25c.

W. A. WOODARD

Takes His Own Life—Had Acted Strangely for Some Weeks.

Funeral services for William A. Woodard were conducted at the family home Saturday afternoon, Rev. C. H. Hanks officiating. The fraternal orders of which the deceased was a member, the Masons and Elks, were represented by large delegations and the services at the grave were conducted by the Masons. Many of the old-time friends and neighbors of the deceased were present at the services.

On Thursday morning Mr. Woodard left home quite early and at about eight o'clock was seen to enter his store building on Main street east just vacated by C. Mehlenbacher. At noon when he did not come home for dinner, Mrs. Woodard became alarmed and called Jerome J. Davis, Mr. Woodard's brother-in-law, and asked him to look him up. Inquiry at several places where Mr. Woodard was accustomed to drop in occasionally did not locate him and at about 3 o'clock at the suggestion of Mark Woodbury, who saw Mr. Woodard go into the store building, it was decided to force the door to the second story of the building open and on going down stairs the body of Mr. Woodard was found on the floor in a small room at the rear of the store. A cloth wound around his neck and an iron rod used to twist the same told the story of strangulation and his death several hours before. A jury impaneled by Justice Friege viewed the remains and they were then taken to the undertaking parlors of Knapp & Smith. The jury subsequently returned a verdict that the deceased took his own life while mentally unbalanced and this is probably the real cause as different ones of Mr. Woodard's friends recall that he had acted strangely at times in the past few weeks. The story that he had lost heavily in some financial transaction is doubted.

Mr. Woodard was born in Steuben county, N. Y., May 14, 1845, where his early years were spent, coming to this city forty years ago. He was for some years engaged with his brothers Lyman E. and Warren Woodard in the manufacturing business and then engaged in the retail furniture business, retiring a few years ago from active business life. He served one term as mayor of Owosso and for six years as a member of the board of control of the state prison at Jackson, having been appointed by Gov. Begole. In political life he was a staunch Democrat, serving the party frequently both as a delegate to its conventions and as a candidate for local offices—the latter with the idea of filling the ticket and maintaining a party organization. He was a stockholder and to January of this year a director in the Owosso Savings Bank.

Mr. Woodard was twice married, two children being born to the first union, Mrs. Inez Krause and Alfred A. Woodard, both residing in Chicago, and who were here for the funeral. Besides his widow he is survived by one brother, Warren Woodard of Cincinnati, Ohio, and a sister, Mrs. J. J. Davis of this city.

Mr. Woodard was always interested in the prosperity of his home city, was a kindly neighbor and a good citizen. His death in such a manner is greatly deplored.

Probate Court.

In the estate of Polly Gidley, deceased of Cornum, the final account of the executor William J. Gidley has been allowed and a decree of assignment entered.

Samuel H. Dearman has been discharged as guardian of Belle R. Dearman, a minor.

The final account of the administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Sarah A. Drake, deceased, will be heard June 5th.

The final account of Miles Trumble as executor of the estate of Frances Trumble deceased, has been allowed and the estate closed.

The final account of Clayton Johnson as executor of the estate of Frances Rogers deceased, has been allowed.

The will of James B. Willoughby deceased, of Owosso, has been filed for probate and the hearing on same set for June 12th.

The will of Eunice M. Burks, deceased, of Owosso township, has been filed for probate and the hearing set for May 29th.

The will of Edward N. Lemon deceased, of Cornum, was filed and the hearing on same set for May 29.

In the estate of Caroline Moore, deceased, of Owosso, the hearing on the petition for the probate of the will was set for June 5th.

Warren Pierpont was in Bay City on legal business Wednesday.

Forty Days in Jail and \$90 Besides

F. E. Sanderson, Bancroft hotel keeper, will board with Sheriff Herrick for forty days and pay \$90 fine and costs for selling liquor in violation of law. If he does not pay he will serve forty days more. A stiff lecture accompanied the sentence of Judge Miner, Saturday.

City League Base Ball Results.

Monday afternoon the base ball season in the Y. M. C. A. city league was started at Athletic park when the Cornum Ave. team defeated the Eagles team 5 to 4 in a fine game of ball. A question as to a decision affecting one of the Avenue team's runs may be appealed and if decided against it would leave the game a tie.

Budget for 1911-12.

The budget for city expenses for the year Oct. 1, 1911 to Sept. 30, 1912, was presented to the council Monday, and is printed in full in another column. Action on it was delayed one week to make necessary changes or corrections. As presented by the ways and means committee the total is \$63,388.72, about \$10,000 less than last year. The principal objection came from Ald. Washburn and Chavey who want provision made for a fire equipment at hose house No. 2, and Ald. Brandel would like provision for a sealer of weights and measures.

Delightfully Entertained.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Williams and Dr. and Mrs. B. S. Sutherland pleasantly entertained the local dentists and wives, Supt. and Mrs. W. E. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Goodrich, Dr. H. B. Moore of Cornum and Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Bates of Durand Thursday evening at the Sutherland home, 507 West Oliver street.

The affair was in form of a seven o'clock fish dinner which was served in seven courses, catered by Miss Kate Russell. The table was prettily arranged and decorated with carnations and apple blossoms. The color scheme being red and white. Covers were laid for eighteen.

Following the dinner Supt. Hanson gave an interesting talk on "A Reminiscence trip to Mobile." A few weeks ago Mr. Hanson attended a meeting of the National Educational association in Mobile, Ala., and in his talk he touched upon the matter concerning medical and dental inspection schools of today. Dr. Bates responded by giving reminiscences of the dental meeting which was recently held in Grand Rapids.

Memorial Day Committees.

At a meeting of the joint committee of the common council, G. A. R. and the W. R. C. held at the G. A. R. hall Friday afternoon at three o'clock, for the purpose of making arrangements for the proper observance of Memorial Day. Those present were Aldermen S. C. Chavey, J. H. Brandel and G. W. Clark; of the G. A. R. Post, T. M. Wiley, J. Frieske, John Taylor, W. R. Smith and D. C. Cooper; of the W. R. C. Mesdames Mary Knapp, Sarah Wiley, Sarah Livingston, H. C. Everetts and W. H. Baker.

Upon motion T. M. Wiley was elected chairman and J. Frieske, secretary. Mayor Sprague was elected president of the day and M. J. Phillips marshal of the day. Upon motion the following committees were appointed:

Executive committee: Alderman J. H. Brandel, Mrs. W. H. Baker, Capt. Evans, commander G. L. Osborn and I. W. Knapp.
Committee on speaker: Rev. C. H. Hanks, Mrs. Sarah Livingston, Ald. Clark.
Committee on invitation: Supt. W. E. Hanson, Ald. S. C. Chavey and Lieut. Chas. Lahman.

Committee on music: A. E. Ferry, C. C. Duff, Mrs. F. F. Hoyer, Mrs. Sarah Wiley and Mr. Jacobs.

Reception committee: M. C. Dawes, T. M. Wiley, I. W. Knapp, Mrs. Mary Knapp and A. J. VanEpps.
Committee on printing: G. M. Dewey, H. K. White and G. T. Campbell.

Committee on program: W. R. Smith, C. H. Hanks, D. C. Cooper, Mrs. Ella Owen and Supt. Hanson.

Committee on carriages: L. S. Bowles, C. Freeman, Ald. S. C. Chavey and J. Q. Adams.

Auditing committee: Ald. McDonald, E. Conant and J. J. Brown.

Committee on drum corps: John Taylor, C. Paris and S. Lamfrom.

Committee on flowers: W. R. Smith, C. W. Jennings and W. R. C. Committee on flags and decoration: T. M. Wiley, M. C. Dawes, W. R. Smith.

Upon motion the committee adjourned to meet Friday May 19 at three o'clock. T. M. Wiley, Chairman.
J. Frieske, Secretary.

Mrs. D. J. Gerow and daughter, Ada, are home from a visit with Mrs. Robert Anderson and family in Sidney, Ohio.

HAS NO SUBSTITUTE



Oriental Party.

One of the most unique as well as elaborate social functions of the season was that held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert L. Taylor, 503 East Oliver street, Tuesday afternoon. The affair was in the form of an oriental party, given by Mrs. Taylor, assisted by Mrs. T. O. Christian, Mrs. Charles O. Loring, Mrs. Will E. Collins, Mrs. B. K. Boyd and Miss Ethel Davies, in honor of Mrs. Daniel Shepardson, Jr. of Newark, O., to the members of the Reigny Day club.

Upon the arrival of the guests at 2:30 o'clock, they were shown to the second floor, by Mrs. Christian, where they were given rooms to change their gowns for the Japanese costumes. Before the ladies descended the stairs, each was presented with a pretty Japanese flag and a small bearing a foreign name equivalent to the person's name, to whom it was presented.

At the foot of the stairs, the ladies were very graciously received by Mrs. J. M. Story, mother of Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Collins, who were on their knees and welcomed the guests saluted with a salaam.

The party then went into the library, which was an intensely interesting room, owing to the fact that it was handsomely adorned with carvings of rare beauty and value, consisting of unique china, lace, brass, gewgaws, shoes, flags, rugs and many other articles gathered by Mrs. Shepardson in the Orient. The intrinsic value of the curios exceeded \$1,500.

From the library, the ladies passed into the parlor. This room was prettily decorated with Oriental tapestries, white carnations and wisterias. The ladies were given chairs which faced the closed folding doors that lead to the dining room. The hostess gave a short explanation of the mysterious work carried on in the Orient.

At the close of Mrs. Taylor's instructive and interesting talk, the doors of the dining room were thrown open, and the eyes of the guests beheld a picture of rare beauty.

Memorial Day Proclamation.

Lansing, May 17.—Gov. Osborn has issued the customary declaration and Memorial Day proclamation.

"The custom of observing a day once a year for the purpose of especially paying tribute to memory of those who so bravely gave their lives that the nation might live and the purer and better home for the oppressed of all lands, is one of the most commendable of our national life. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

"The legions that lie buried in mother earth, very many of them unmarked graves, will never be forgotten. The sacrifice will be forever an inspiration to higher citizenship upon the part of those who live today and tomorrow, in order that we may so guide the state that it will be worthy of the hallowed dead who died for it.

"Then let us gather throughout all Michigan and strew flowers on land and water in honor of the heroes of the army and navy who are gone, but not forgotten, and let us consecrate ourselves anew to the service of God and our country, so that the mark of the living may be always a way to better things, higher motives and purer ideals. A grateful people make a gracious land.

"Therefore, I, Chase S. Osborn, governor of the commonwealth of Michigan, do hereby issue this my proclamation, and earnestly urge the observance of Tuesday, May 30, 1911, as Decoration and Memorial Day."

Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Osburn and family are moving from Detroit to Pittsburg, Pa., where Mr. Osburn has business. Mrs. Osburn spent part of the week with relatives in Owosso.